

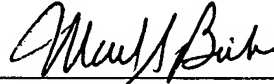
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al childbirth, emphasizing
or together with the pres-
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lamm (OHG *lamb*) < IE
imb 1 a young sheep 2
3 lambskin 4 a gentle or
1 loved person; dear 6 a
experienced speculator —
Jesus
1775-1834; Eng. essayist &
iter: sister of Charles &
spear 3 Willis Eugene

bast'ing [LAM' + BASTE']
cold or denounce severely

lamedh, LAMED name of
A. A)
ibdacism < Gr *lamdba-*
perfectly < *lamdba*, prec.)
und, esp. (r), or of another

Λ LAMBDA & -OID shaped
ting the suture that con-
of the skull
of *lambere*, to lick, lap <
over a surface; flickering
glow [a *lambent* sky] 3
it: said of wit, humor, etc.

(1728-77); Ger mathema-
nit of brightness, equal to
surface that radiates or
square centimeter
(*lam'bert*) [see prec.] a
e represented by straight
side the mapped area and
reles whose center is this
have one or two standard
the scale varies along the
parallels intersect at right
surface of the earth are

London: site of the official
shops of Canterbury since

mes applied to a child or
ies attributed to, a lamb
th the paschal lamb: John

Du "lamperkin < *lamper*,
a knight's helmet #2 a
he upper part of a window

[sometimes l-] a red wine;

lb, esp. with the fleece left
be skin of a lamb
usual weed (*Chenopodium*
ened or mealy leaves and
rimes used for greens —
Ger *lahm*, ON *lami* < IE
ak] 1 crippled; disabled;
akes one limp 2 stiff and
unconvincing, ineffectual
ng to make lame —
nervative; old-fashioned

LAMINA 1 a thin metal
plates in a piece of armor
see prec.] a fabric of silk
reads, as of gold or silver
-witted or stupid person

tip or club name of the

plees person or thing
ond the time of the day

[L. dim. of *lambent*,
n, or structure, aspect
in canal b) one of the
the gill of an aquatic
le *lamella*] between
nerfary adv. 1 a
il, *lamellatus* 1 a
a lamella or lamina
sion n. d. chusier

lamelli- (lā mel'i, -mel'a) combining form of, like, or consisting of a
lamella or lamellae (*lamelliform*)
lamelli-branch (lā mel'i bran'k) n. [*< ModL Lamellibranchia*, the
class name: see prec. & BRANCHIAE] BIVALVE —*adj.* designating or of
a bivalve mollusk Also **lamelli-bran'chi-ate** (bran'kē it, -āt')
lamelli-corn (-kōrn') *adj.* [*< ModL lamellicornis < LAMELLI- + L*
cornu, HORN] 1 ending in flattened plates: said of the antennae of
some beetles 2 having such antennae: said of various beetles —*n.* a
lamellicorn beetle, as a scarab beetle
lamelli-form (-fōrm') *adj.* having the form of a lamella; platelike or
scalalike
lamelli-ros-tral (lā mel'i rās'trəl) *adj.* [*< ModL lamellirostris*: see
LAMELLI- & ROSTRAL] of certain waterfowl, as ducks, geese, and
swans, with lamellate strainers on the inner edge of the bill Also
lamelli-ros'trate (-trāt')
la-mel-lose (lā mel'ōs', lam'a lōs') *adj.* LAMELLATE —*lam'e-lōs* (lō'
-lās' tē) n.

la-ment (lā ment') *vi.* [*Fr lamenter < L lamentari < lamentum*, a
mourning, wailing < IE echoic base *lā- > Arm *lam*, I weep] to feel
deep sorrow or express it as by weeping or wailing; mourn; grieve —
vt. 1 to feel or express deep sorrow for; mourn or grieve for 2 to
regret deeply —*n.* 1 an outward expression of sorrow; lamentation;
wail 2 a literary or musical composition, as an elegy or dirge,
mourning some death or calamity

la-men-table (lā'mən tā bəl; often lā men'tā bəl) *adj.* [*ME < MFr < L*
lamentabilis] 1 to be lamented; grievous; deplorable; distressing
2 [Now Rare] expressing sorrow; mournful —*lam'en-tābly adv.*

la-men-ta-tion (lā'mən tā'shən) *n.* the act of lamenting; outward
expression of grief; esp., a weeping or wailing

La-men-ta-tions (-shanz) [LL(Ec) *Lamentationes*, transl. in Vulg.
for Gr *threnoi*, in LXX] Bible a book traditionally ascribed to Jer-
emiah, lamenting the destruction of Jerusalem: abbrev. *Lam* or *La*
la-men-ted (lā ment'id) *adj.* mourned for: usually said of someone
dead —*la-men'te-dly adv.*

La Meis (lā mē's, lā-) [Sp., lit., the MESA] city in SW Calif.: suburb
of San Diego: pop. 50,000

la-mi-a (lā'mē ā) *n.* [*ME lamya < L lamia < Gr; akin to lamos*, abyss
< IE base *lem-, with gaping mouth > *L lemures*, ghost (see LEMUR),
Welsh *llef*, voice] 1 *Class. Myth.* any of a class of monsters, half
woman and half serpent, supposed to lure people, esp. children, in
order to suck their blood 2 a vampire; female demon; sorceress

lam'i-na (lām'i-nā) *n.* pl. -næ (-nē) or -nas [-*L*, thin piece of metal
or wood, < ? IE **(s)lamen*, a spreading out < base *stel-, to spread]
1 a thin flake, scale, or layer, as of metal or animal tissue, 2 the flat,
expanded part of a leaf; blade, as distinguished from the petiole 3
lam'i-nable (lām'i-nā bəl) *adj.* that can be laminated

lam'i-nar (lām'i-nər) *adj.* composed of, arranged in, or like laminae
Also **lam'i-nal** (-nəl)

laminar flow the regular, continuous, smooth movement of a fluid
lam'i-nar'ia (lām'i-nēr'ē ā) *n.* [*ModL < L lamina*: see LAMINA] any of
a genus (*Laminaria*) of marine kelp having fluted, ribbonlike blades
attached at one end to a stalk and holdfast

lam'i-nate (lām'i-nāt') *adj.* & *n.* usually, -nit) *vt.* -nat'ed, -nat'ing
[*< ModL laminatus < L lamina*: see LAMINA] 1 to form or press
into a thin sheet or layer 2 to separate into laminae 3 to cover with
or bond to one or more thin layers, as of clear plastic 4 to make by
building up in layers —*vi.* to split into laminae —*adj.* LAMINATED —
n. something made by laminating —**lam'i-nat'or n.**

lam'i-nated (-nat'id) *adj.* 1 composed of or built in thin sheets or
layers, as of fabric, wood, plastic, etc., that have been bonded or
pressed together, sometimes under heat 2 covered with a thin pro-
tective layer, as of clear plastic

lam'i-na-tion (lām'i-nā'shən) *n.* 1 a laminating or being laminated 2
a laminated structure; something built up in layers 3 a thin layer
lam'i-nec-tomy (lām'i-nēk'tō mē) *n.* pl. -mies [LAMINA + -ECTOMY]
the surgical removal of all or part of the bony arch of a spinal
vertebra

lam'i-ni-tis (-mī'tis) *n.* [*ModL*: see -ITIS] an inflammation of laminae
in a horse's hoof

La Mi-ra-da (lā'mī rā'dā) [Sp., lit., the gaze, glance] city in SW Calif.:
pop. 41,000

Lam-mas (lam'əs) [*ME lammasse < OE hlammæsse*, for hlāfmæsse,
lit., loaf mass, bread feast: see LOAF & MASS] 1 a harvest festival
formerly held in England on Aug. 1, when bread baked from the first
crop of wheat was consecrated at Mass 2 this day (Lammas Day) or
this time (Lammas-tide) of the year

lam-mer-ge-er or **lam-mer-ge-er** (lam'ər gē'ər) *n.* [*Ger lämmer-
geier < lämmer*, pl. of *lamm*, LAMB + *geier*, vulture, akin to *gier*,
greed < IE base *gh-, var. of *ghē- > GAPE*] a very large Old World
vulture (*Cypaetus barbatus*) with grayish-black plumage streaked
with white and a tuft of bristles over the nostrils and under the bill;
bearded vulture

lamp (lamp) *n.* [*ME lampe < OFr < VL lampade < L lampas* (gen.
lampadis < Gr < *lampein*, to shine < IE base *lap- > Latvian *lāpa*,
produce light or heat: the wick is often enclosed in a glass tube or
chimney, to protect the flame 2 any of various devices for producing
light or heat, as an electric light bulb or a gas jet 3 a holder, stand,
or base for such a device 4 a source of knowledge, wisdom, or spirit-
ual strength 5 [Old Poet.] the sun, moon, a star, etc. 6 [pl.] [Old
Slang] the eyes —*vt.* * [Old Slang] to look at

lam'pas (lam'pəs) *n.* [*Fr < OFr*, throat: ? akin to *lamper*, to guzzle
—*cf.* *lam'pas* (see LAMP)] an inflammatory disease of horses, in which the
corn of the mouth becomes swollen Also **lam'pers** (-pərz)

lam'per (lam'pər) *n.* [*ME lampas*, prob. < MDu. *lampers*] an
especially designed cloth; esp., a silk cloth like damask

lamp-black (lamp'blak') *n.* fine soot produced by the incomplete
combustion of oils and other forms of carbon: used as a pigment in
paint, ink, etc.

Lam-pe-dusa (lām'pə dōō'sə, -dōōz'ə) Italian island in the Mediter-
ranean, between Malta & Tunisia: 8 sq. mi. (21 sq. km)

lam-per eel (lam'pər) [Eng dial. *lamper*, var. of LAMPREY] LAMPREY

lam-pi-on (lam'pē ən) *n.* [*Fr < It lampione < lampā*, a lamp < OFr
lampe, LAMP] a small oil lamp, usually with a colored glass chimney,
formerly used as for a carriage light

lamp-light (lamp'lit') *n.* light given off by a lamp

lamp-light'er (-lit'ər) *n.* 1 a person whose work was lighting and
extinguishing gas street lamps #2 a roll of paper, a wood splinter,
etc. used to light lamps

lam-poon (lam'pōn') *n.* [*Fr lampon < lampōns*, let us drink (refrain
in a drinking song) < *lamper*, to guzzle: see LAMPAS] 1 a piece of
satirical writing, usually attacking or ridiculing someone —*vt.* to
attack or ridicule by means of a lampoon —*SYN.* CARICATURE —**lam-**
poon'er or **lam-poon'ist n.** —**lam-poon'ery n.**

lamp-post (lamp'pōst'; often lam'pōst') *n.* a post supporting a street
lamp

lam-prey (lam'prē) *n.*, pl. -preys [*ME lampreie < OFr < ML lam-*
preda] any of an order (Petromyzoniformes) of jawless fish with
a funnel-shaped, sucking mouth surrounded by rasping teeth with
which it bores into the flesh of other fishes to suck their blood

lamp-shade (lamp'shād') *n.* a partial cover for a lamp, designed to
direct or diffuse its light

lamp shell [from its resemblance to an ancient Roman oil lamp] any
of various brachiopods

LAN (lan) *n.* local area network: a computer NETWORK (sense 2c)
within a small area or within a common environment, as one within
a building or one connecting offices on separate floors

la-na-lī (lā nā'ē, -nī'; lā-) *n.* [*Haw lānai*] a veranda or open-sided
living room of a kind found in Hawaii

La-na-lī (lā nā'ē, -nī'; lā-) [*Haw Lā-na-lī*, lit., day of conquest < Proto-
Polynesian **la*, day + **ngaki*, conquer] an island of Hawaii, west
of Maui: 141 sq. mi. (365 sq. km); pop. 2,100

lan-ark (lan'ər) former county of SC Scotland, now in the region of
Strathclyde; also **lan'ark-shire** (-shīr, -shar)

la-nate (lā'nāt') *adj.* [*L lanatus*, woolly < *lana*, wool] Biol. having a
woolly or hairy covering or appearance

lan-ca-shire (lan'kə shīr) county on the NW coast of England: 1,175
sq. mi. (3,043 sq. km); pop. 1,379,000; county seat, Lancaster

lan-cas-ter (lan'kə stər; for 3 & 4 also, lan'kas'tər) 1 city in N
Lancashire: pop. 126,000 2 LANCASHIRE 3 [after city in England]
city in SE Pa.: pop. 55,000 (met. area 362,000) 4 [prob. after a
railroad official] city in SW Calif.: suburb of Los Angeles: pop.
48,000

lan-cas-trian (lan'kas'trē ən) *adj.* 1 of the English royal house of
Lancaster 2 from Lancaster or Lancashire —*n.* 1 a member or
follower of the house of Lancaster, esp. in the Wars of the Roses 2 a
native or inhabitant of Lancaster or Lancashire

lance (lans, lāns) *n.* [*OFr < L lancea*, light spear, lance, orig. Spanish
lance < Celt] 1 a thrusting weapon consisting of a long wooden
shaft with a sharp metal spearhead 2 LANCER 3 any sharp instru-
ment resembling a lance, as a fish spear 4 a surgical lancet —*vt.*
lanced, lanc'ing 1 to attack or pierce with or as with a lance. 2 to
cut open (a boil, etc.) with or as with a lancet

lance corporal [*< obs. lance* (pesade), lance corporal (< MFr *lance*
pesade, infantry officer under the rank of corporal < It *lancia*
spezzata, lit., broken lance) + CORPORAL] 1 Brit. Army a private
acting temporarily as a corporal #2 U.S. Marine Corps an enlisted
man ranking below a corporal and above a private first class

lance-let (lans'lit) *n.* [*LANCE* + -LET] CEPHALOCHORDATE

lan-cel-lot (lān'sə lāt, -lāt') [*Fr*, double dim. < *Lance* < OHG *Lanzo*,
lit., landed < *lant*, land] Arthurian Legend the most celebrated of
the Knights of the Round Table and the lover of Guinevere

lan-ceo-late (lan'sə līt, -lāt') *adj.* [*LL lanceolatus < lanceola*, dim.
of *L lancea*: see LANCE] narrow and tapering like the head of a lance,
as certain leaves: see LEAF, illus.

lan-cier (lans'ər) *n.* [*Fr lancier < LL lancearius*] a cavalry soldier
armed with a lance or a member of a cavalry regi-
ment originally armed with lances

lan-cers (-ərz) *n. pl.* [*< prec.*] [with sing. v.] 1 a
19th-cent. quadrille 2 music for this

lan-cet (lan'sit) *n.* [*ME lancettis*, pl. < OFr
lancette, dim. of lance, LANCE] 1 a small, pointed
surgical knife, usually two-edged, used for making
small incisions, skin punctures, etc. 2 a) LANCET
ARCH b) LANCET WINDOW

lancet arch a narrow, sharply pointed arch

lan-cet'ed (-id) *adj.* having lancet arches or win-
dows

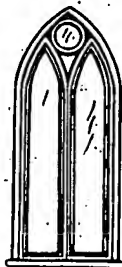
lancet window a tall, narrow window having a lan-
cet arch

lance-wood (lans'wood') *n.* 1 a tough, elastic
wood used for shafts, fishing rods, billiard cues,
etc. 2 any of various tropical trees yielding such
wood; esp., a tree (*Oxandra lanceolata*) of the cus-
tard-apple family

Lan-chow (lan'chow'; Chin lān'jō') old form of LANZHOU

at, āte, cār; ten, ēve; is, ice; gō, hōrn, look, tōol; oil, out; up,
fur; a for unstressed vowels, as a in ago, u in focus; * as in Latin
(lat'n); chin; she; zh as in azure (azh'ər); thin, the; ŋ as in ring (rīng)
In etymology: * = unattested; < = derived from; > = from which
* = Americanism

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